

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
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For: **SELF-CONTAINED CELL CULTURE
APPARATUS AND METHOD OF USE**

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Examiner: N. Bowers

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated November 14, 2008, for which a response is due on February 17, 2009 (February 14th being a Saturday, February 15th being a Sunday, and February 16th being President's Day, a Federal holiday). Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.